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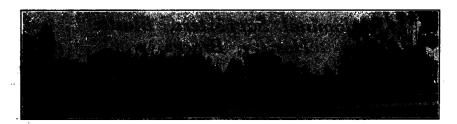
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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The recent meeting of the American Medical Association in Los Angeles was a great success.

THE A. M. A. MEETING.

And first let us extend to our colleagues in the South the sincerest congratulations and compliments upon the way in which

they entertained the Association and cared for the comfort and the pleasure of all who attended the meeting. Especially to the Committee of Arrangements all credit and our thanks are due; every smallest detail had been thought of and arranged for the convenience of the visitor; there were no words but words of praise and astonishment and our Eastern friends have gone away with a high opinion of California hospitality. Some twenty-two hundred members registered and it was estimated that each member registering represented, on an average, three persons in attendance; comment was frequently made that at no previous meeting had so many members brought their wives, daughters, sisters. The section programs were, in most instances, well arranged and full of interest. The attendance at the sections, in spite of the many beautiful and attractive things about Los Angeles which might have served to tempt the members to wander away, was excellent. The reports of the various officers and committees showed more than the usual amount of good work and progress during the past year, and the House of Delegates got through its work in less

time than at any previous session. The following officers were elected: President, Abraham Jacobi, New York; First Vice-President, William Jarvis Barlow, Los Angeles; Second Vice-President, F. W. McRae, Atlanta, Ga.; Third Vice-President, W. R. Tipton, Las Vegas; Fourth Vice-President, A. L. Wright, Carroll, Iowa; Secretary, Alexander R. Craig, Chicago; Treasurer, Wm. A. Pusey, Chicago; Trustees, to serve for three years, Philip Marvel, Atlantic City; Philip Mills Jones, San Francisco; W. T. Sarles, Sparta, Wis. The place for the next meeting was determined to be Atlantic City; the time will be set by the Board of Trustees. The former Secretary, Dr. George H. Simmons, has served the Association in that capacity for many years and for several years past has been desirous of relinquishing the office. A vote of appreciation and thanks was extended to him by the House of Delegates. Dr. Craig, his successor, comes from Pennsylvania, where he has been identified with the State Society work for some years. The JOURNAL extends to him its best wishes in his new position.

The House of Delegates, at the Los Angeles session of the American Medical Association, passed a resolution commending the new

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Owen bill, Senate No. 1. This bill is a great improvement over the previous one introduced by Mr. Owen,

and in all probability it, or a bill somewhat similar to it, will eventually be passed by the Congress. At the first suggestion of a National Department of Public Health, a number of the southern states were much disturbed and objected on the ground that it would interfere with the rights of the states; this objection has now been removed and a number of the southern states, through health bodies and the like, have voiced their approval of the measure. Life insurance companies are taking an active part in promoting a feeling of support of the movement, and well they should, for every progressive measure that improves public health conditions tends to lengthen human life and thus directly effects the insurance companies advantageously. In the course of time this activity on the part of the insurance companies may be expected to counteract in part the effect of the so-called "league for medical freedom," which, as everybody knows, is trying to oppose and tear down everything tending to improve health conditions. When you meet any one who is interested in or belongs to this "league," just ask him if he knows who is putting up the money to support it, to pay for its very expensive news bureau, to pay for the advertisements with which it has subsidized a considerable number of newspapers-and why the money is spent! It is not a promising time for the corrupt interests; people are asking too many "whys." Some interest or interests are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to defeat the Owen Why? Also from some source come many thousands of dollars to support the "league for medical freedom." Why? There are some very fine and well-paid-for brains running this "league." Who pays for them and why? Collier's Weekly has had some very illuminating articles explaining the "why."

tifically correct, but is of good literary taste, as well. (2) I have graduated from our medical school at the head of my class, having received both the highest honor and "with distinction." (3) No bethighest honor and "with distinction." (3) No better place exists for research work in the medical literature than Washington, D. C., where the Surgeon-General's Library—the best medical library in the world—possesses every text-book and periodical, no matter where or when published. (4) Doing my own abstracting from French, German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Hungarian, Swedish, Danish and Dutch, I do not employ any other translators and thus am able not only to ensure the high standard of the work but also do it cheaper. (5) My work is indorsed by such men as Dr. J. Wesley Bovée and other prominent physicians and surgeons.

I therefore take the liberty of asking you to help me make this letter known to such physicians in your state as might be interested in the kind of work I do.

Any suggestion as to means of getting into communication with physicians of your state will be heartily appreciated.

Sincerely yours, ARTHUR A. EISENBERG, Garfield Memorial Hospital, Washington, D. C.

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- Transport of the wounded between war vessels, hospital ships, and the coast.
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- The best model of a portable Roentgen apparatus, permitting utilization of X-rays on the battlefield and at first aid stations.

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of the Ninth International Red Cross Conference at Washington, D. C., May 7-17, 1912.

All persons intending to compete for these prizes must forward to the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, at the above address on or before December 31, 1911, a statement of such intention, giving the number of cubic feet which will be required for the exhibition of their inventions. for the exhibition of their inventions.

Articles entered in this competition must be received, carriage prepaid, at Washington, D. C., on or before April 15, 1912.

Full particulars and conditions as to delivery and removal will be supplied in good time to inventors

who give notice of their intention to compete.

Further information, if desired, may be obtained from the Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, War and Navy Building, Washington, D. C.

LOST OR STOLEN.

Between Friday, June 30, 1911, and Saturday, July 1, 1911, there disappeared from the Scientific Exhibit of the American Medical Association meet-Exhibit of the American Medical Association meeting on the fourth floor of the Hamburger Building at Eighth and Broadway, Los Angeles, California, one microscope which was loaned by Dr. Charles E. Atkinson, 700 East 25th Street, Los Angeles, California. This microscope was a Bausch & Lomb make and was numbered 69,534, being a BB 8 type with a mechanical stage. Dr. Atkinson purchased this microscope from the Pacific Surgical Company of Los Angeles, paying \$93.30 therefor. We do not know whether this microscope was lost, strayed or stolen, and are sending out these notices in order to stolen, and are sending out these notices in order to get some information concerning it. Your co-operation will be appreciated.

Very truly,

GEORGE H. KRESS, Secretary Executive Committee, 240 Bradbury Building, Los Angeles, California.

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